

# Monkeypox Preparedness Checklist for Healthcare Facilities

## *Screening and Communication*

- ☐ Share situational awareness with all staff
- ☐ Provide education (e.g., rash identification) to clinicians
- ☐ Review triage procedures to ensure timely identification and isolation of suspect cases
- ☐ Designate points of contact responsible for:
  - ☐ Communicating with the [local health department](#) (e.g., Infection Prevention)
  - ☐ Providing internal updates to healthcare personnel and volunteers

## *Isolation Precautions, Supplies, and Testing*

- ☐ Review infection prevention protocols for alignment with [CDC guidance](#)
- ☐ Ensure availability of appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) and supplies
- ☐ Review specimen collection, transport, and testing [procedures](#)

## *Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection, Linen Management*

- ☐ Review environmental cleaning procedures, ensuring that the facility has an EPA-registered hospital-grade disinfectant with an emerging viral pathogen claim ([List Q](#))
- ☐ If applicable, consult your healthcare facility's linen vendor to determine if there are vendor-specific instructions on how to bag or separate soiled linen from patients with suspected or confirmed monkeypox.

## *Waste Management*

- ☐ Prepare a waste management plan to handle, store, treat, and dispose of patient waste (soiled PPE, patient dressings, etc.) as [regulated medical waste](#) in accordance with [U.S. Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Regulations](#) and [state and local regulations](#).

## *Healthcare Personnel Risk Assessment and Monitoring*

- ☐ Ensure staff vaccination records are up-to-date and accessible
- ☐ Review procedures for [screening](#) and monitoring of potentially exposed or ill staff

## *References*

- [CDC Infection Prevention and Control of Monkeypox in Healthcare Settings](#)
- [CDC Preparation and Collection of Specimens](#)
- [EPA Disinfectants for Emerging Viral Pathogens List Q](#)
- [VDH Assessing and Managing Exposed Healthcare Personnel Risk Assessment Tool](#)